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Crackdown on dissent makes open questioning of policies unlikely

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Smartphone maker faces threats from Chinese makers and Apple

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Rebuffed approach reveals mining group’s acquisitive inclination

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